

BROOKLYN NEWS.

HORRIBLE NEGLECT.

Brooklyn Scarlet Fever Case Unattended for Five Days.

Board of Health Notified March 24, but No Investigation Yet.

Alice Findley's Drunken Father Locked Her in with Him.

A shocking case of neglect on the part of the officials connected with the Brooklyn Health Board came to light this morning when John Findley, of 240 Prospect avenue, Brooklyn, was arraigned on a charge of intoxication in the Butler Street Police Court.

Last yesterday afternoon, Sup't. Wilken, of the Brooklyn Children's Society, received an anonymous postal card urging him to investigate the case of a child suffering from scarlet fever at 240 Prospect avenue.

Officer Coschina was detailed to investigate the case. He went directly to the house, a three-story brick flat.

He saw Mrs. Shaw, the janitress, who told him that little Alice Findley, six years old, was locked in the first flat with her father, who had been heavily drunk.

White Coschina was taken to Mrs. Shaw.

Henry Dundas, who lives on the top floor, came downstairs. Dundas said he was the man who was the father's landlady. He said the little Alice was taken with scarlet fever about ten days ago.

Dr. Haskins of 350 Ninth street, was called and prescribed for the child. Five days ago, Findley, the girl's real name, came in drunk and said she had been ill and unconscious most of the time.

Dundas said that the child's mother, Mrs. Alice Findley, was at 4 Fairmount avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey, where she had gone to visit Alice's brother, Agius, who was sick with scarlet fever.

Owing to the nature of the disease, Dundas could go into the rooms where the little Alice was, fearing to carry infection to his own children.

"There had been no noise in the room in the morning," he said. "I heard Alice crying downstairs, and the neighborhood people asserted that Dr. Haskins had been called to see the child in five days."

Officer Coschina could not get into the room through the door. He went outside, climbed up on the fence and looked through the window.

"He says what he saw was enough to make a man sick," said Dundas.

The father was so drunk that he could not get away from the wall where he had fallen.

The little girl was so weak she could hardly stand on her feet and was making a feeble attempt to attract attention by knocking on the door.

The room was in an extremely filthy condition.

John Dundas and Dundas went to the Eighth Precinct station-house and told Capt. Murphy of the horrible state of affairs in Findley's flat.

At the time, Dundas wrote to Capt. Murphy, he says he also wrote to Dr. Haskins and asked him what he was going to do about the case.

At the time, Dundas, Dr. Haskins replied by letter that all that was needed was to send for the girl's mother and notify the police to take care of the father. Dundas gave the letter to Capt. Murphy, who sent it to Dr. Murphy sent an officer to the house with Coschina and Dundas. Findley's door was forced open and he was taken to the hospital.

Dundas agreed to care for the child until the authorities could care for her. The little girl says her father has left the house ever since he was taken away.

Capt. Murphy telephoned to Mrs. Findley to come home and look after her little girl.

The girl is in the house now that Capt. Murphy is there, and will remain there until the contract to turn it over to the United States Government for postage stamps and cheques.

The board of health this morning was learned that Dr. Haskins had notified the board of the nature of Alice Findley's disease on March 24. Dr. Boyles was detailed to investigate the case, and he found the boy until the department was again notified of the children's Society last night or this morning. It was said that Dr. Boyles would investigate the case today.

In the meantime, Dr. Haskins had indicated that Dr. Haskins would leave the case before the child was out of danger, and that the board of health should be advised to have an investigation made to see to nothing of throwing out proper safeguards.

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Dr. Haskins could not be seen this morning.

Judge Tigue sent Findley to jail for ten days.

BURNED HER CANARY BIRDS.

CARMINER'S WAY OF GETTING EVEN WITH HIS WIFE.

George Minninger, of 140 Throop avenue, Williamsburg, was held in the Lee Avenue Court to-day on a charge of threatening his wife.

The woman told Justice Connolly that Minninger has been on a drunk for five weeks and yesterday she told him she would no longer live with him.

The couple live in the kitchen. Half an hour later, he came out, and she found he had vented his spleen by burning alive four canary birds which belonged to him.

ELLISS WAS A TRIFLER.

SO BUSINESS-LIKE ANNIE BURKHARDT HAD HIM ARRESTED.

Justice Connolly, in the Lee Avenue Court, Williamsburg, to-day held Julius Elliss, of 452 Wythe avenue, for examination for trial with the affections of Annie Burkhardt, of 585 Bedford avenue.

The couple were to have been married at Easter, but at the last moment Elliss backed out and the woman was left with a brat in her hands. Miss Burkhardt, who is very business-like in her ways, combed her suit at once.

STOLE A BED AND COAL SCUTTLE.

Thomas Osborne, of 610 Park avenue, an enterprising young thief, was held for examination in the Lee Avenue Court, Williamsburg, to-day, for breaking and entering into the residence of Annie Burkhardt, of 585 Bedford avenue.

During the night there entered the coal scuttle of W. H. Murtha & Son, 608 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn, and attempted to blow the scuttle to pieces, but failed.

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LEFFLER'S FEAST ON A WAGER.

TOOK TWENTY SCRAMBLED EGGS, A GALLON OF BEER.

Charles Leffler, of 651 York street, Williamsburg, is feeling no ill effects to-day from his exertions last evening.

Leffler, who is a member of the Beethoven Club, has the reputation of being the loudest eater in the Sixteenth Ward.

Louis Goetting, of 105 Charles street, always doubted Leffler's powers, and arranged for an exhibition, which took place in Arnold's saloon at 157 York street last night.

Twenty eggs, a gallon of beer, a cent loaf of rye bread, a cigar, a gallon of beer, were Leffler, who had to clear away everything within twenty minutes or forfeit \$25.

A big audience was present when Leffler sat down to eat. He devoured the meal in half an hour exactly eighteen minutes and thirty-five seconds, clearing away, and before leaving the saloon Leffler invited the bunch on the end of the bar.

FOUGHT TILL UNCONSCIOUS.

DISGRACEFUL DRUNKEN BRAWL OF A GREENPOINT COUPLE.

Hoger and Maria Murphy, of 490 Manhattan avenue, Greenpoint, were heavily fined by Justice Watson in the Bowen's feet Court, Williamsburg, to-day, for indulging in a bad domestic battle.

Two pistol shots were fired on the snow-covered street with blood and apparently dead. A German Purvis fought his last round in a number of stumps on the beach, and when he was summoned to a dress the wounds of the couple, a rifle which they were holding.

A neighbor who saw the fight says the two men had been fighting for some time and then pulled guns and stood on each other's shoulders looking in each other's eyes, and then drew their pistols from their belts and the quantity of blood they had absorbed.

YEAH A WHITE PURPLE OUT.

John Jacob, a hat manufacturer, of 631 Greenpoint avenue, Brooklyn, was required to appear before the court for the support of his wife in the afternoon to-day. Mrs. Jacobson is at present trying to go to California to meet her son, and expects the children will go with her. She has not been seen during all his clothing after five.

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Robert Downing at the Bedford.

At the Bedford Avenue Theatre last night Robert Downing appeared in Somers' tragedy, "The Gladiator," supported by Miss Somers. The play was a success, and agreed to continue in his favor, and who are survivors were set in the auditorium of the theater.

Robert Downing, besides a large number of passengers, had to board the "Bedford" at 10 o'clock, and he was presented by the Danish societies to this city.

HEKLA NOT YET SIGHTED.

Her Agents Expect Her at Any Moment.

No tidings have as yet been received of the elusive steamer Hekla of the Thingvalla line from Christiania. Her agents, Finch, Edie & Co., are expecting momentarily to hear of her arrival.

The agents explain the cause of the delay in reaching port as being due to another accident to her machinery, which had been suffered by a former steamer.

The reason she has not been reported by any incoming vessels since the Normandy reported her on Friday last is that she has been to the track of incoming steamers.

A general alarm has been sent out for the Brooklyn port authorities, except Henry P. Alexander, who has no news. Last evening steamship companies which had been engaged in the Spanish societies to this city.

WILL TELL THE STORY.

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